PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS     Part IA

MOCK EXAM PAPER

Paper 3

MEANING

Answer three questions only.

Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer. If you are answering an either/or question, indicate the letter as well.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS
20 Page Answer Book x 1
Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator.
1. Is it analytic, synthetic, or neither, that $7 + 5 = 12$?

2. Are there any necessary \textit{a posteriori} truths?

3. 'The meaning of a statement consists in its method of verification.' Can this theory allow that the sentence 'all ravens are black' makes a meaningful statement?

4. Do verificationists need a notion of analyticity?

5. Can intentional theories of meaning account for our understanding of unuttered sentences?

6. Are conventional theories of meaning compatible with the idea that there is an important distinction between speaker meaning and semantic meaning?

7. What are the paradoxes of material implication? Can they be solved by a theory of implicature?

8. What is the philosophical significance of the fact that, in ordinary language, we sometimes give one object two different names?

9. Why did Russell think the sentence 'The present king of France is bald' is false? Was he right?

10. Is every version of descriptivism about names undermined by the fact that many people are mistaken about which descriptions apply to which things?

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